

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
BATANGAS CITY**

**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD**

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION HELD BY THE  
MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF BATANGAS CITY  
ON APRIL 20, 2021 VIA ZOOM APPLICATION**

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Emilio Francisco A. Berberabe Jr.,	Presiding Officer
Hon. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz,	Councilor
Hon. Aileen Grace A. Montalbo,	“
Hon. Nestor E. Dimacuha,	“
Hon. Karlos Emmanjuel A. Buted,	“
Hon. Gerardo A. Dela Roca,	“
Hon. Oliver Z. Macatangay,	“
Hon. Nelson J. Chavez,	“
Hon. Julian B. Villena,	“
Hon. Michael Thomas T. Pastor,	“
Hon. Isidra “Ched” M. Atienza,	“
Hon. Maria Aleth A. Lazarte,	“
Hon. Lorenzo A. Gamboa, Jr.,	“
Hon. Marjorie A. Manalo,	SK-Fed. Pres.
Hon. Angelito “Dondon” A. Dimacuha, (Sick Leave)	ABC-Rep.

“On motion of Councilor Cruz seconded by Councilor Villena, the following Resolution was Adopted:

**RESOLUTION NO. 104 S. 2021**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BATANGAS CITY MARINE PROTECTED AREA  
MANAGEMENT PLAN 2021-2031**

**WHEREAS**, the marine water of Batangas City is a landmark of global environmental significance as it holds the heart of the Center of Marine Biodiversity in World which is the Verde Island Passage of the Sulu-Sulawesi Seascape;

**WHEREAS**, the Batangas City established four (4) Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), namely: PulongBato Fishery Refuge & Sanctuary (Brgy. San Agapito, Isla Verde); Nalayag Point Fishery & Sanctuary (Brgy. San Agustin Kanluran, Isla Verde); Ilijan Fishery Refuge & Sanctuary (Brgy. Ilijan); and Pagkilatan Fishery Reserve (Brgy. Pagkilatan), all within the passage;

**WHEREAS**, this MPA Plan is a reflection of updated details of the 4 MPAs of the City, the issues and concerns that are way overdue and the current environmental encounters/concerns, the key players and mechanisms of the management, the activities/work involved and projected, and the financial requirements to operate this plan for the materialization of the objectives of the management;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it resolved as it hereby resolves by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City, in session assembled, to adopt the Batangas City Marine Protected Area Management Plan 2021-2031.

**APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY** by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City this 20th day of April, 2021.”

**Continuation of Resolution No. 104 S. 2021**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BATANGAS CITY MARINE PROTECTED AREA  
MANAGEMENT PLAN 2021-2031**

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SPONSOR : COUN. ALYSSA RENEE A. CRUZ  
COMMITTEE ON LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS  
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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 104 S. 2021 was approved by the Sangguniang Panlungsod of Batangas City during its Regular Session held on April 20, 2021.

**ATTY. OLIVA D. TELEGATOS**  
Secretary

**ATTESTED:**

  
**EMILIO FRANCISCO A. BERBERABE, JR.**  
Presiding Officer

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JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS AND  
COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATIVES

COMMITTEE REPORT

1<sup>ST</sup> ENDORSEMENT FROM HONORABLE CITY MAYOR REGARDING THE PROPOSED  
BATANGAS CITY MARINE PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN 2021-2031 FOR  
ADOPTION

COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

The subject request for the adoption of the said plan was referred to the Joint Committee on Laws, Rules and Regulations and Committee on Agriculture and Cooperatives for its consideration during the Regular Session on January 26, 2021.

The Committee held a hearing on February 15, 2021 and in attendance were the following:

From OCVAS: Mr. Gerardo Peralta; from Philippine Coast Guard: CPO Walter Castillo and from City ENRO: Mr. Oliver Gonzales. Also present are the Chairpersons Coun. Alyssa Renee A. Cruz (Laws), Coun. Isidra M. Atienza (Agriculture) and the committee members: Coun. Gerardo Dela Roca, Coun. Julian Villena, Coun. Oliver Z. Macatangay, Coun. Nelson J. Chavez, Coun. Maria Aleth A. Lazarte and Coun. Lorenzo Aileen Grace A. Montalbo. The Vice Mayor Emilio Francisco Berberabe Jr. and other members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod, Councilors Nestor Dimacuha, Karlos Buted, Michael Thomas Pastor, Lorenzo A. Gamboa Jr., ABC President Angelito Dondon A. Dimacuha and SK Fed. President Marjorie Manalo, were also present.

Just like any other parts of the seas, the Batangas City water is not exempted to interventions that threatens its natural and productive state. The marine water of the Batangas City is a landmark of global environmental significance as it holds the heart of the Center of Marine Biodiversity in World. Thus, Batangas City established four (4) Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), namely: Pulong Bato Fishery Refuge & Sanctuary (Brgy. San Agapito, Isla Verde); Nalayag Point Fishery & Sanctuary (Brgy. San Agustin Kanluran, Isla Verde); Ilijan Fishery Refuge & Sanctuary (Brgy. Ilijan); and Pagkilatan Fishery Reserve (Brgy. Pagkilatan), all within the passage. And these areas are the scope of operation of the Batangas City Marine Protected Area Management Plan.

This MPA Plan is a reflection of updated details of the 4 MPAs of the City, the issues and concerns that are way overdue and the current environmental encounters/concerns, the key players and mechanisms of the management, the activities/work involved and projected, and the financial requirements to operate this plan for the materialization of the objectives of the management. This plan shall pave the way to handle and carefully treat the MPAs, and provide skills and supervision to those in charge of the 4 MPAs. Generally, the purpose of the MPA Management Plan is to conserve, manage and protect the City MPAs aimed to sustain their diversity, beauty and productivity.

Through the plan's course, it is expected the enforcement of MPA policies and regulations and other applicable governing laws/acts, directives and orders by national and local units/agencies of authority; operation, monitoring and evaluation of MPA Programs/Projects/Activities (PPAs); Partnership among or between all concerned entities in the implementation of PPAs for the enhancement and protection of MPAs; and Obtainment of consistent grass roots participation and mobilization of communities, especially stakeholders, to engage in the conservation and protection of MPAs.

Considering the justifications above, the Committee hereby recommends:

1. The adoption of this Committee Report.
2. The approval of the required Resolution hereto attached.

Respectfully submitted, April 15, 2021



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